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East Hartford Conn. Jan 7/90

Mr. William Brewster
Cambridge
Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I take the liberty of writing you to see if you want to send a collector to Florida this winter.

If you do, I should be very glad to have you give me a trial. I spent our first months there last year with Mr. W. E. H. Scott, and I am also well acquainted with

Willard E. Treat.

Jany. 5. 1890.

sonal matter, business
ofcourse, which is the best
collector of birds I ever
met with.

I think I can say with
out boasting that I am
more or less familiar
with the rarer species than
such as Swainson, Cape
May & Bachman's Warb-
lers as I personally took
quite a number there
last season.

Can furnish recommend-
ations &c.

Address will be con-
sidered as esteemed
favor Yours Very Truly
Willard E. Treat.

Willard E. Treadt.
Jany. 14. 1890.

East Hartford Conn. Jan. 14 1890

Mr. William Brewster

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 12th inst duly received. In reply I would say that I have made as many as 40 small birdskins a day, but don't think I could collect and make over 20 a day on the average, under favorable conditions.

I should prefer to go to the west coast of Fla. as I am better acquainted with the country there, especially about Tarpon Springs where I have collected very careful with remarkable success. Last spring at this place I shot over 50 Cabs may

Warblers in four afternoons shooting, and I could have easily killed over a hundred.

I have found it to be the best collecting ground I ever found and so situated as to be favorable for making an excellent place for the rare "warblers" during the migrations.

As Ben. Scott told me last summer that he should not go there again to collect, I think there will be no interference with his work in this part of the state.

I have been getting $60 per month and traveling expenses, besides being furnished with ammunition, arsenic, cotton, tow &c. also a room to work in.

I could remain there ~~over~~ till the middle of May at the least, or as long as you might wish me too no doubt.

I should also be willing to go almost anywhere in the state, where ~~over~~ you might wish me to go, and only mention the above place because I think I could collect nearly double the skins there that I could anywhere else, and ammunition &c can be purchased there as cheap as here in the north. At the above mentioned salary I could guarantee all traveling and working expenses, which I should do-

size you to assume. to be
as light as the community
could be.

Hoping you may be
willing to send me on
this trip

Jane.

Yours very truly
Willard E. Treat

East Hartford Conn. Mar. 8 1890.

Mr. William Brewster,

Dear Sir:—

If you should decide to send anyone to Florida to be there during the spring migration, I would be pleased to do so on a salary of $50 per month and expenses which I should guarantee to be not over $110 for a two months trip, or $210. for the whole expense, salary and all. except the transportation charges for the skins which I obtained.

I have been disappointed in several jobs lately and as I thought that possibly you might decide

Willard E. Treat

Mar. 8. 1891.

to send me out if you didn't go yourself.

Yours Very Truly

Willard E. Treat

East Hartford Conn. March 17/91

Mr. Williams Brewsters

Dear Sir:-

Your esteemed favor received. In reply would say that I should be willing to go to either place at $50 per month and all expenses &c. during the months of April & may.

If you decide to send me I should be glad to get your ideas of the way in which you would wish me to proceed with the work.

Yours Very Truly

Willard E. Treat

Willard E. Treat

March 17. 1891.

Willard Treat.

April. 1. 1891.

East Hartford Conn. Sept 6 '92

Dear Mr. Ripley, I've curates,

Dear Sir:—

I have a collection of fossil fishes
and plants from the Connecticut River
sandstone, which I have taken
as a whole, and I can guarantee them as well preserved as
they could possibly be, and are
made according to the method
of Prof. Wyman, &c &c.

Full particulars will be given with
a view to exchange or barter the
If you want them state in
your first letter and I will send
them soon, & expect to hear from
you

Yours truly
Wilbur C. Root

Willard E. Treat

Dec. 6-1892.

Willard E. Treat.

Dec-12-1892.

East Hartford Conn.
Dec. 12 1892.

Mr. William Brewster,

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 9inst re-
ceived. I send 4 skins as
samples of my skins, from
worst to best as near as
I could judge, altho. there
are a very few skins of
young birds and two or three
exceptional plumages in
poor skins.

I send you an incom-
plete list of the collection
which was taken hastily

and probably I have omitted several good species, but as it gives the larger part of them I think you will get a pretty accurate idea of ~~what~~ they are.

Yours Truly
Willard E. Treat

East Hartford Conn.
Dec. 17 1892.

Mr. William Brewster,

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 14th inst duly received. I will sell you the skins you desired and forward the same to you today. I trust they will prove satisfactory unless it is one of the Mallard ducks which may badly rot in the top of the head. If you don't want it, you can send it back.

I am willing to sell series of common skins as I don't think they would injure my collection.

With thanks for your order,

I remain Yours Truly

William E. Hart

Willard E. Treat.

Dec. 17-1892.

Willard E. Treat
Dec. 26-1892.

East Hartford Conn. Dec. 26 '92

Mr. William Brewster

Dear Sir:-

Your check and rejected skins received. I was in a great hurry when I packed the skins and consequently overlooked the imperfections. and I don't blame you for rejecting them. I didn't suppose I had any deformities in my collecting but it is evident I have

Howard [illegible]s that Shaw,
and thank you for calling
my attention to it.

I enclose a list of such
species as I wish to sell,
which are checked with
red ink.

Yours truly,
Overland Forest

East Hartford Conn. Jan. 7 1893

Mr. William Brewster,

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 31st ult. at hand. I send the skins you desire to day by express and allow the privilege to keeping any that you wish.

Your offer of 20¢ per skin is satisfactory to me with the exception of Dybrancia pusilla Vireo solitarius and Regulus satrapa which I will accept for these I would feel bitter satisfied with 50¢ each.

As there was room in the boxes I put in 1 Vireo gilvus, 1 Troglodytes aëdon and 1 Coccyzus americanus which I thought you might desire to take the place of the imperfect skins which I sent you a short time ago.

Yours Truly

William Brewster

Willard E. Treat

Jany 7-1893

Comptroller of Currency, June 21 1878

Hon. William Bennett

Dear Sir

I have forgotten whether I have acknowledged the receipt of your letter or not. I received the check for $31.10 and the form of affirmation several days ago. Thank you for your trouble.

Yours truly

Asst Sec'y

Willard E. Treat.
Jany. 25-1893.

Willard E. Treat.

July 25 - 1893.

East Hartford Conn.

July 25 1893.

Mr. Wm. Brewster,

Dear Sir:-

I take the liberty of writing you concerning some (two) Sharp-tailed Finches which I have. I suspect they are subvirgatus. They are in breeding plumage and were taken at Lyme, Conn. June 10 1893. Although I have taken quite a number in fall I never have seen them in summer before. Would you be willing

to identify them, if I could send them to you?

If you should desire a series of *embroideries* and *melsons* I could get them for you the coming autumn.

Yours very truly

Willard E. Treat

East Hartford Conn.
Aug. 23 / 1893

Mr. William Brewster,

Dear Sir:—

Your kind offer of the 30 inst. duly received and I forward the two Thanksgiving Day tails to day by mail.

I am glad you are willing to compare and identify them, as these are the only two Thanksgiving Day tails I have ever seen in spring.

Sincerely
Willard E. Treat

Willard E. Treat.

Aug. 23 - 1893.

Willard E. Treat.
Dec. 4-1893.

East Hartford, Conn.
Dec. 4 1893

Dear Mr. Brewster:—

Yours duly received I will hold the skins as you desire. If you should desire a series or a few Ruffed Grouse skins from this locality I think I can get them for you but will have to charge you $1.25 per skin as I have to buy them of hunters and then it don't pay me

much for my work.

With many thanks

for your order

Yours Sincerely

Willard E. Treat

Please address Silver Lane,

Conn.

Willard E. Treat.
Dec. 26 - 1893.

Silver Lane, Conn.
Dec. 26 1893

Dear Mr. Brewster:-

Yours of the 11th inst. just received. It seems it had been sent to Silver Lake, Mass. hence the long delay. My address is Silver Lane. I have one good specimen of Ruffed Grouse but expect to get more in a day or two.

and will make up
a pair and send them
as soon as they are
dry, if you are in
no great hurry for
them.

I have heard nothing
from Mr. Milley and
consequently conclude
he don't care for any
mammal skins.

Very Sincerely
Willard E. Treat

East Hartford. Conn.
Jan. 19 '894

Dear Mr. Brewster:-

I trust you will pardon my long delay in sending the skins you desired. I send to day by express two Bonasa umbellus and four Zonotrichia leucophrys. I had forgotten just how many you wished of the latter, but you can select whatever you wish from them

Willard E. Treat.

Jany. 19-1894.

I am sorry I could not get another skin of the Ruffed Grouse but it had gotten to be too late in the season the price I believe was to be 1.25 per skin for the former and .50 for the latter. Hoping they will be satisfactory I am

Very Sincerely
Willard E Treat

East Hartford Conn.
Jan. 30 1894

Dear Mr. Brewster:-

Yours of the 26 inst and money order received. Thanks for the same. Will try and collect the specimens of Vireo gilvus and Troglodytes aëdon for you this coming spring.

Yours Truly
Willard E. Treat

Willard E. Treat.

Jany. 30–1894.

East Hartford, Conn. Apr. 9 1894

Dear Mr. Brewster:-

Owing to my present financial embarrassment in business I am obliged to sell my entire collection of birds which number over twelve hundred skins. If I could make a sale of them within a short time I would sell them for $200.

They are very good skins - and are like such as I have sold you, and are all taken in this locality. The price at which I offer them is very low ~~about~~ eighteen cents per skin, which of course includes everything - Hawks - owls - Herons - Ducks - Warblers &c.

My object in writing you, was that I thought perhaps you might know of some one, or a museum who would like such a collection.

Hoping I am not troubling you too much I am

Very Truly Yours
Willard E. Treat.

Rough list enclosed.

Willard E. Treat.
April 9-1894.